NOTE II.

TWO NEW SPECIES OF MALAYAN PHYTOPHAGOUS COLEOPTERA

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1. *Stethomela marginata*, n. sp.

Oblong, subquadrate, testaceous. Apical joints of the antennae and the abdomen, black. Elytra strongly punctate-striate, dark violaceous, the extreme lateral margin testaceous. — Length 4¼ lines.

Head impunctate, shining, testaceous. Antennae slender, filiform, two thirds the length of the body, the third joint the longest, 5 lower joints testaceous below, the rest black. Thorax transverse, anterior margin semicircular, posterior one sinuate at each side and accompanied by a row of deep punctures, sides straight at the base, rounded towards the apex, surface entirely impunctate, testaceous, obscurely stained with longitudinal fuscous markings. Scutellum testaceous. Elytra distinctly punctate-striate, the apex impunctate, shoulders bounded within by a longitudinal groove. The extreme basal and lateral margin testaceous, this colour gradually narrowed towards the posterior portion of the elytral margin. Legs and breast testaceous. Abdomen black. Claws simple.

Hab. Aru Islands (v. Rosenberg).

2. *Australica unicolor*, n. sp.

Elongate, entirely pale flavous. Head and thorax minutely punctured. Elytra finely punctate-striate. — Length $2^1/_2$—3 lines.

Head very finely and closely punctured. Apex of the jaws black. Antennae flavous, extending to the base of the thorax, the latter exceedingly finely and rather sparingly punctured at the disk, a little more strongly punctured at the sides. Elytra with ten rows of finely punctured striae, the interstices very minutely punctured. Entire underside and legs flavous.

Hab. Timor (Wienecke).

The present species of *Australica* is the first described from the Malayan group of Islands, all the others being peculiar to Australia. The nearest allied species are *A. pallida* Baly and *A. geniculata* Baly, from both of which the present insect (of which four specimens are before me) differs by its smaller size, and the fine punctuation of its head and thorax. The colour of the antennae and the legs also differs from the allied species.

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